

That's Relating?

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Editor—Apparently the President of the United States, the senior Senator from California, and the Governor of our state can think of no better way to relate to factions with whom they disagree than to taunt them. In San Jose, these three "dignitaries" expressed one of the grossest of obscenities (in the eyes of the demonstrators) by making a mockery of desiring peace. Both Nixon and Reagan have acknowledged that flashing the "V" peace sign was for the express purpose of irking the crowd. Obviously, at the time this was done the crowd was still peaceful, since the President was at liberty to stand on his car.

Now the taxpayers are going to pay for an investigation into which individuals were responsible for the violence. I hope justice is served and convictions are won.

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Editor—When the Governor of the largest state of the Union, who is traveling with the President on a national political campaign, states publicly that he and the President made the peace sign "because we know nothing infuriates them more," doesn't this constitute an incitement of a crowd to violence?

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Memos to Myself

THE WINDOWS of Tunney headquarters on Pine St. were shot out Sunday night by a gunner in a passing car—but John Tunney refused to release the news till after election day: "Playing on people's fears is not my game" . . . The Red Garter's famed 1914 Knox fire engine may be a secret Democrat. En route to serenade Pat Nixon last wkend, it caught fire and is gone forever — but Mgr. Billy Shim managed to save its calliope, bell and gong. Fortunately, the Garter crowd has two slightly younger engines in reserve . . . Sid Janofsky claims he overheard it in Union Square, one hippie saying "How about Nixon getting stoned in San Jose?" and the other shrugging, "So what—it proves he's only human" . . . Cynical quote from a Peninsula politico who declines attribution: "The Nixon stoning may go down in history as one of the three great news stories of the past century — the other two being the Reichstag Fire and the sinking of the battleship Maine" . . . Congr. Pete McCloskey, a liberal, bought a Spiro Agnew watch — case only — and expects to get the works any minute.

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A RADIO STATION isn't releasing the results of a listeners' poll on S.F.'s most popular radio personality since the winner—Don Sherwood—has been off the local air for a week (placed No. 2) . . . Sherwood's weekend job as Gambler's ambassador at Tahoe altitude work origin?